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This survey was made to prepare a master inventory of the public records of the county, with a view to the provision of better measures for the preservation and accessibility of such records; to make available, information concerning the present housing and care of records and accommodations for persons who may wish to consult them.

The inventory of records was made during the period May 1, 1936, to June 22, 1936, under the supervision of S. J. Kagan, State Director, Robert Riddle, District Supervisor, and John R. Milligan, District Research Editor. The field workers were Ralph Ross, Margaret Maxwell, Earl Wilkes, and Catherine Monaugh, all of Vincennes. Valuable co-operation was given by the County and Works Progress Administration officials, to make this survey successful. Two field workers spent one day rearranging the records in the basement storage room in order to put the material in order of the office of issue.

It is the intention of the editors to present a complete, concise picture of the records of Daviess County in bibliographical form, with a commentary description to each title, in order that the survey may be of benefit to the greatest number of users.

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#### HISTORY

Gibson County, located in the southwestern part of the state, is bounded on the north by Knox County, on the east by Pike and Warrick Counties, on the south by Warrick, Vanderburgh, and Posey Counties, and on the west by the Wabash river, separating it from the state of Illinois. It has an area of 450 square miles.

Before the white settler invaded what is now Gibson County, the red man inhabited this territory. Remnants of the Kickapoos, Shawness, Sacs, Foxes, Pottawatomies and Miamis lived and hunted in this region.

\*Old Trackwell\*, a Shawnes chief, ruled over a town of several wigwams which was located on Indian Creek, two miles northeast of Princeton and the Miamis also claimed ownership to a part of this locality. The Miamis constructed a fort on the south side of the river, a short distance from the present site of the Patoka bridge.

In the early eighteen thirties the state legislature requested the United States Congress to quiet all Indian titles in Indiana. This request was granted, and by treaty the Pottawatemies ceded to the government of the United States six million across of lands all they possessed. A little later, the Miamis, through the efforts of Colonel A. C. Pepper, Indian Agent, sold a considerable portion of their most desirable lands to the United States. In 1853, Colonel Pepper and General John Tipton, with an escort of United States soldiers, conducted about one thousand Pottawatemies to their new reservation, west of the Missouri river.

The first white man to settle in Gibson County was John Severns, who, as a boy, had been captured by the Indians, and lived with them for several years. After escaping he made his way to Pennsylvania, later, working



with government surveyors in Maryland and Kentucky. In 1789 he came into the Northwest Territory and settled with his family on the south bank of the Patoka river, at a place which came to be known as Severn's Bridge.

The next settlers in the county were Gervas and Daniel Hazelton, and their families. Gervas, after whom the town of Hazelton was named, operated a ferry on White river and was a well known pioneer. In 1800 Daniel Robb and his family came to Gibson County from Kentucky, settling on a tract of land a half mile south of the present site of Hazelton. By 1806 William Hargrove, Joseph Milburn, James McClure, Judge Isaac Montgomery, General Robert M. Evans and Joseph Neely had settled in the county. Most of these pioneers came to Indiana from Kentucky.

April, 1813, the year the territorial capitol was moved to Corydon, and three years before Indians was admitted into the Union. Previously the territory comprising Gibson county was a part of Knox, the first county in Indians. Since the organization of Gibson County, portions of its territory have been detached and added to Posey, Pike, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties.

At that time county affairs were in the hands of the court of common pleas, which convened for its first term on May IO, 1815, at the home of William Harrington, about a mile and a half west of the present city of Princeton. The judges were Harrington, Isaac Montgomery and Daniel Putnam. Their first official act was to divide the county into five civil townships, and to appoint commissioners for assessment.

On February 14, 1814, the Commissioners appointed to locate the county



seat (William Prince, Robert Elliott, Abel Westfall and William Polk) made their report. They had selected the site on which Princeton now stands, after Henry Hopkins had donated 80 acres of land and 160 acres were purchased from the United States government for a town site.

According to the county records, the first board of County Commissioners met at Princeton, February 10, 1817. William Hargrove and Thomas Montgomery appeared with their credentials of office, and took the oath before Robert M. Evans, Clerk, and Henry Hopkins, Sheriff. Later on James Stuart was elected to the board of commissioners. The first Treasurer was James W. Jones, Sheriff, James Row, and Surveyor, David Robb. The combined office of Assessor and Appraiser was filled by James Russell.

Gibson County was named in honor of General John Gibson, secretary of 19.1.1

Indiana Territory from 1801-1816, and acting Governor in the absence of William Henry Harrison. There are ten townships in the County, Barton, Center, Columbia, Johnson, Montgomery, Patoka, Union, Wabash and White River. The incorporated cities and towns are: Princeton, Fort Branch, Francisco, Hazelton, Oakland City, Owensville and Patoka.

The first business of the county, including the first terms of court, was transacted at the log cabin of William Harrington. His home continued to serve as the seat of justice of Gibson County until June 19, 1815; when the first court house was completed. This was a brick building 33 feet by 40 feet in size. This court house was used until 1841. The second court house was completed in 1843. It was also a brick structure, aguste in form.

The corner-ztone of the present court house was laid June 17, 1884.

It is a red brick, stone-trimmed building, architecturally modern. It provides ample facilities for the county offices and the courts. In 1935



a fire broke out in the attic of the court house which destroyed approximately 5% of the county records.



The County serves as a unit for the maintenance of peace through the Sheriff; the Administration of justice through the judicial circuit; the administration of welfare work through hospitals, infirmaries and poor relief systems; the administration of public works, such as high-ways, building, and drainage systems; the imposition and collection of taxes; the holding of elections; the administration, to a limited degree, of education and enforcement of State laws and decrees.

The General Assembly conferred upon the board, doing business in Gibson County, powers of a local administrative character (1 Indiana Rev. Stat., 1852, ch. 20, Sec.1) $_{\rm X}$ 

The business of Gibson County is executed and discharged by a group of officials, some elected and some appointed. The Constitution directs that there shall be elected by the people, at the time of holding general elections, a Clerk of the Circuit Court, Auditor, Recorder, Treasurer, Sheriff, Coroner, and Surveyor (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2) and that such other county officers, as may be necessary, shall be elected and appointed in such manner as may be prescribed by law. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 3). From this clause, the General Assembly prescribed the elective office of As sessor, (Acts 1919, Burns 64-1101 /14200/), and the appointive offices, Health Commissioner, (Acts 1899, Burns 26-501 /5862/. Agricultural Agent, (Acts 1923, Burns 28-4911); Highway Supervisor, (Acts 1933, Burns 36-1110); and Board of Public Welfare, (Acts 1936, Special Session, Burns 52-1117). The establishment of each of these offices caused the beginning of separate records as prescribed



by the General Assembly under the provisions for each respective office.

The Board of Public Welfare, established in 1936, as yet has no records.

The Constitution also provides that the State shall, from time to time, be divided into judicial circuits; the sisty-sixth judicial circuit, Gibson County, was established in 1919 (Acts 1919, Burns 4-332 / 1405/).

A judge and Prosecuting Attorney for each circuit shall be elected.

(Indiana Const., Art. 7, Sec. 11).

Between the adoption of the Constitution of 1816 and the Constitution of 1851, practically no changes were made in the form of government in Gibson County. Following this period to the present time, changes were mainly enlargements of the government, such as the creation of the offices above. As a protection to the taxpayers of each county, the Board of Review was established (Acts 1919, Burn 64-122 / 14205/, and later followed the formation of the Board of Tax Adjustments (Acts 1933, Burns 64-304). The two boards have no separate records as the results of their actions are incorporated into the records affected.

The a dministration of education in Gibson County, outside of municipal corporations, is in charge of the county Board of Education and the county Superintendent of Schools (Acts 1889, 1911, 1913, and 1927, Burns 28-702 /6507/).

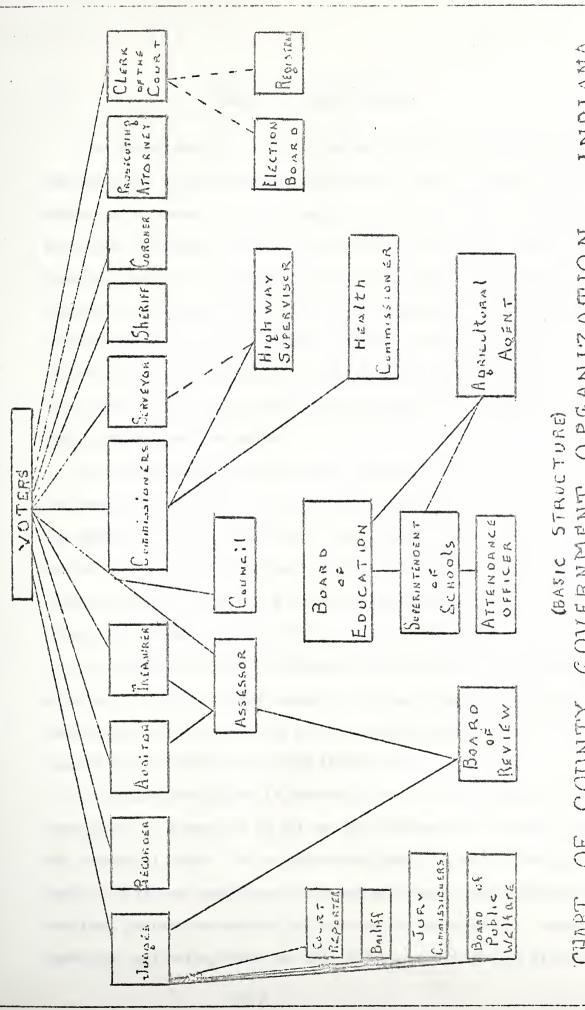
As each office was created, the General Assembly prescribed the type of records which should be kept, in many cases listing the particular form of the page. Gibson County was allowed its own form of accounting until in 1901:, the legislature established the State Board of Accounts which formulates, prescribes and installs a system of accounting and



reporting which shall be uniform for every public office of the same class. (Acts 1909, Burns 60-202 /12-637/). Under this new law, some of the records were combined to eliminate separation, duplication, and overlapping. The law also permits the use of bound looseleaf records in almost all cases where the records are typed. The quality of the paper and ink, binding and rebinding practices are left to the judgment of the Board of County Commissioners, except that a good quality is asked.

Whenever it may be necessary for the preservation of the records for any office of Gibson County from mutilation, the Board of Commissioners issue an order directing the officer in charge to copy and transcribe the record for preservation. (Acts 1877, Burns 26-204 /6093/). Such records so transcribed have the force and effect of the original records. (Acts 1877, Burns 26-635 /6094/).





-INDIAMA OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION CHART



#### HOUSING OF PUBLIC RECORDS

The Gibson County courthouse, constructed in 1886, of limestone and red brick, is approximately 140° by 110° by 60°, allowing 924,000 cubic feet in space. This building, although over a half century old, is in good condition, and houses the offices of Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Recorder, Sheriff and Treasurer on the main floor; Superintendent of Highways on the second floor and the Agricultural Agent, Superintendent of Schools and the Surveyor in the basement. It is only about 75% fireproof, having no fireproof vaults for the records. A fire broke out on the second floor in 1934 causing damages to the extent of \$7,000, but no records were destroyed.

The Agricultural Agent's bureau, located in the southeast corner of the basement, measures 35' by 15' by 15', with one door 62' by 3', and two windows 6' by 4'. The floor is wood, walls plaster and an iron ceiling, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature varies, and the room is clean and dry. Along the east wall, there are 36' of wood shelving in a closet, of which 2' are occupied with boxes of unbound material and 18' with miscellaneous materials. The room is not crowded, allowing plenty of space for expansion. Four tables and chairs provide good accommodations for users. All of the records of this bureau are housed in this room.

The Assessor's bureau is Tocated in the northeast corner of the main floor, in a room 24° by 18° by 16°, with one door 8° by 5°, and one window 12° by 5°. It has oiled wood flooring, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature varies, and the room is clean and dry. Along the north and west walls, there are 127° of open wood shelving, all of which



the floor, while file cabinets provide 40° of boxes 5° and 10° deep.

The room is crowded, allowing no room for expansion. One table, chairs, a counter and desk provide the accommodations for users. All of this bureau's records are stored here and it is recommended that additional space and equipment be provided to properly house these public records.

The Auditor's bureau is located in the northwest corner of the main floor and comprises a main office and sub-office. The main office is 40? by 40° by 18°, with two doors 12° by 32°, and six windows 12° by 5:. It has oiled wood flooring, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. Along the east and south walls, there are 740° of steel roller shelving, of which 523' are occupied with bound volumes, while file cabinets provide 44° of boxes 13" deep. The room is not crowded, allowing space for expansion with new shelving. A counter, three tables and chairs provide good accommodations for users. Approximately 30% of the Auditor's records are stored here and 75% of the Commissioneras records. The sub-office is a room 35° by 20° by 18°, with two doors 12: by 31, and one window 12: by 5:. It has oiled wood flooring, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good and the room is clean and dry. Along the south wall, there are 15: of steel roller shelving, of which ll: are occupied with bound volumes, while a filing cabinet provides 135% of boxes 13" deep. The room is not crowded, allowing space for additional shelving and equipment. A wood table, desk and chairs provide good accommodations for users. Approximately 40% of the Auditor's records are housed here. About 10% of these records are housed in the Administrator's Relief Office, and 20% in the Janitor's room all in the basement. It is recommended that space and equipment be alloted to this



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office to proporly house these public records.

The Clerk's bureau, located in the southeast corner of the main floor, is 36° by 30° by 16°, with two doors 12° by 32°, and six windows 12: by 5:. It has oiled wood flooring, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. Along the west wall underneath a counter, there are 553' of steel and wood roller sholving, of which 305' are occupied with bound volumes, while file cabinets provide 248° of boxes 13" by 13" by 27th deep. The room is very crowded, allowing practically no space for expansion. Two counters, three tables and chairs provide good accommodations to users. Approximately 50% of the Clerk's records are housed in this office. The sub-office is a room 39' by 18' by 18', with two doors 12° by 32°, and one window 12° by 5°. It has oiled wood flooring, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. Along the south wall, there are 150° of open wood roller shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, plus 10° of bound volumes piled on the floor, while file cabinets provide I20' of boxes I3" deep. The room is crowded, allowing no space for expansion. Two tables and chairs provide the only accommodations to users. It is recommended that additional equipment be added to properly house these public records in this room. Approximately 5% of the Clerk's records are stored in the courtroom on the second floor, and 25% in attic storercom.

The Coroner's bureau is located in the private home of the Coroner who lives at Oakland, Indiana, and all records are kept there. It is recommended that ample space and equipment be provided to properly house



this bureau and its records in the courthouse.

The Health Commissioner's bureau is located in the private home of Dr. F. Gwaltney, Fort Branch, Indiana, and all records of this office, are housed there. It is recommended that ample space and equipment be provided to properly house this bureau and its records in the courthouse.

The Highway Supervisor's bureau, located in the northeast corner of the third floor, is a room 22' by 24' by 16', with one door 10' by  $\mathbb{S}^1_{\mathbb{R}}$ , and four windows 12' by 6'. It has ciled wood flooring, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. There are 12' of bound volumes on tables, while file cabinets provide 12' of boxes 2' deep. The room is not crowded and there is space for expansion with new shelving. It is recommended that this be provided in order to properly store the records in this room. Approximately 90% of the bureau's records are housed here and 10% are kept in the basement storeroom. A desk, two tables and chairs provide the accommodations for users.

The Recorder's bureau, located in the southwest corner of the main floor, comprises two rooms, a private office and filing room. The private office is 12° by 10° by 16°, with one door 9° by 3°, and one window 10° by 5°. It has an oiled wood floor, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The temperature and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. Along the east wall, there are 6° of open wood shelving, which house about 5% of the bureau's records. One wood desk and chairs provide good accommodations for users. The filing room is 30° by 26° by 18°, with two doors 8° by 3°, and two windows 12° by 5°. It has oiled wood flooring, plaster ceiling and walls, all



in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. Along the north and south walls, there are \$24° of steel roller and wood shelving, of which \$11° are occupied with bound volumes, while wood filing cabinets provide 15° of boxes 5° by 10° by 12° deep. The room is crowded, allowing no space for expansion. A counter, tables, dest and chairs provide good accommodations for users. Approximately 95% of the bureau's records are housed here and it is recommended that space and equipment be allotted for this bureau, to properly house these public records.

The Superintendent of Schools' bureau, located in the northeast section of the basement, is a room 39' by 21' by 15', with one door 7' by  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ', and five windows 5' by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ '. It has oiled wood flooring, plaster walls, iron ceiling, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. Along the south wall, there are 60' of open wood and steel shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes plus 109' of bound volumes piled on tables, while file cabinets provide 50' of boxes 18" deep. The room is not crowded, allowing space for new shelving. A table, two desks and chairs provide good accommodations for users. All of the bureau's records are kept here. It is recommended that additional equipment be added to properly house these records.

The Sheriff's bureau, located in the southwest corner of the main floor, comprises two rooms, a main and private office. The main office is 24° by 27° by 16°, with one door 12° by 5°, and two windows 12° by 5°. It has oiled wood flooring, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. Under a wood counter, there are 29° of wood roller



shelving, of which 13° are occupied with bound volumes, while file cabinets provide boxes 24" deep which contain supplies. The room is not crowded, allowing space for expansion with new shelving. A counter, desk, table and chairs provide good accommodations for users. All of the rocords of this bureau are housed here, and there are no records stored in the private office.

The Surveyor's bureau, located in the southwest corner of the basement, comprises two rooms, a main office and sub-office. The main office is a room 19' by 19' by 13', with one door 7' by 3', and four windows 6: by 5:. It has an oiled wood floor, plaster walls, painted galvanized ceiling, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. There are  $2\frac{1}{2}$ : of bound volumes stacked on desks, while file cabinets provide 15° of boxes 20 deep. The room is very crowded and there is ample space for new shelving which should be provided to properly house these public records. Two desks, three tables provide accommodations for users. The sub-office is a room 20' by IJ' by IJ', with one door 7' by 3', and one window 6' by 5'. It has oiled wood flooring, iron ceiling, painted plaster walls, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. There are 10° of bound volumes stacked on a desk. There is plenty of room for expansion and it is recommended that new shelving be added here to properly house these records. Approximately 50% of the Surveyor's records are stored here.

The Treasurer's bureau, located in the northeast corner of the main floor, comprises two rooms, a main office and sub-office. The main office is 40° by 22° by 18°, with two doors 12° by  $3\frac{1}{2}$ °, and five windows



12' by 5'. It has oiled wood flooring, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. Under a counter in center of the room, there are 97° of open wood roller shelving, of which 42° are occupied with bound volumes. The room is very crowded, allowing no space for expansion. A counter, tables and chairs afford the accommodations for users. Approximately 20% of the Tressurer's records are housed here. The sub-office is a room 18' by 15' by 18', with one door 12' by  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ', and one window 12: by 5:. It has an oiled wood floor, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The ventilation is fair, atmospheric conditions are good, and the room is clean and dry. Along the west wall, there are 69° of open wood roller shelving, of which 13° are occupied with bound volumes, while flile cabinets provide 26' of boxes 13" deep. The room is crowded, allowing no further space for expansion. A table and chairs afford fair accommodations for users. Approximately 30% of the Treasurer's records are stored in this office. About 50% of this bureau's records are housed in the storeroom in the basement. It is recommended that additional space and equipment be provided to properly house these public records.

The storeroom in the basement is a room located in the northeast section under the stairway, and is 12° by 8° by 12°, with one door  $6\frac{1}{2}$ ° by  $2\frac{1}{2}$ °, and no windows. It has a wood floor, iron ceiling and brick walls, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are fair and the room is clean and dry. Along the north, west and south walls, there are 160° of which 65° are occupied with bound volumes. The room is crowded, allowing no further space for expansion. There are



practically no accommodations for users. Approximately 50% of the Treasurer's records and 10% of the Superintendent of Highways' records are housed here. It is recommodded that additional space and equipment be provided to properly store public records.

The Administrator's Relief Office, located in north section of the basement, houses approximately 10% of the Auditor's records and 25% of the Commissioner's records. It is a room 20° by 18° by 15°, with one door  $6\frac{1}{2}$ ° by  $3\frac{1}{2}$ °, and two windows 6° by 4°. It has a wood floor, plaster walls and painted iron ceiling, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good and it is clean and dry.

The Janitor's room located in the basement houses 20% of the Auditor's records and 20% of the Treasurer's records. It is a room 35' by 35' by 15', with two doors 8' by 32', and two windows 6' by 5'. The floor is ciled wood, plaster walls, and painted iron ceilings, all in good condition. Along the south wall, there are 240' of open wood roller shelving, of which 225' are occupied with bound volumes. The room is not crowded, allowing space for future expansion.

The attic storeroom, located on the fourth floor, is a room 21° by 21° by 15°, with one door 9° by  $3\frac{1}{2}$ °, and two windows 6° by 5°. It has a wood floor, plaster ceiling and walls, all in good condition. The ventilation is poor, temperature fair, and the room is clean and dry. Along the north wall, there are 120° of open steel roller shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, plus 540° of bound volumes piled on the floor, while filling cabinets provide 465° of boxes  $13^{\circ}$  deep.



The room is very crowded, allowing practically mo space for expansion.

It is recommended that additional space be provided to properly house these public records. One table provides the only accommodations for users.



# ABBREVIATIONS

The Style Manual of the United States Government Printing Office is the authority followed herein.

Bldg. Building

C. C. County Courthouse

Const. Constitution

ib., ibid. Ibidem (same reference as that immediately

foregoing)

Ind. Indiana

pp. Pages

q. v. Which som

V. vol., vols. Volume, volumes

Other abbreviations occasionally used will be obvious from the context.



#### AGRICULTURAL AGENT

Whenever twenty or more residents of a county who are actively interested in agriculture file a petition, the county Board of Education files said petition with the County Council for appropriation of salary and expense; the Board of Education then applies to Purdue University for the appointment of an Agricultural Agent whose appointment is made annually.

In accordance with the law an Agricultural Agent has been appointed for Gibson County. It is his duty, under the supervision of Purdue University, to co-operate with movements for the advancement of agriculture, give advice to farmers, and aid the county Superintendent of Schools in giving practical education in agriculture and domestic science (Acts 1913, Burns 28-4911 270457).

1. ANNUAL NARRATIVE REPORT, 1923--. 1 bundle.

Annual agricultural reports to Purdue University. No index. 16 x 14 x 12. C.C., Agent's office.



#### ASSESSOR

The Assessor's office, created by the General Assembly, is non-constitutional.

The Assessor is nominated by primary and elected for a four-year torm in the fall election, there being no prohibition against successive terms in office. Qualifications are established by law; he must have been a continuous freeholder of Gibson County for not less then four years before the date of election, and he must provide a five thousand dellar bend, with two or more good and sufficient freehold sureties approved by the Auditor, who also administers the eath of office. The statutes direct that he shall be subject to the orders and directions of the State board of tax commissioners. He may be removed from effice for misfeasance, upon notice and hearing, and may appeal to the Circuit Court from unfavorable hearings below. (Acts 1919, Burns 64-1101 /142007.)

His duties are to assess omitted property and inheritances, to appraise each school plant, to instruct the township assessors, to carry out the orders of the state tax board, and to act as president of Gibson County Board of Review (Acts 1919, Burns 64-1101 /142007).

2. ASSESSMENTS, 1929--. 216 vols., lettering varies; 60 file boxes. Record showing assessments on personal property. Vols. arranged alphabetically; boxes, no index. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. Vols.,  $17 \times 14 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ ; boxes,  $5 \times 10 \times 12$ . C.C., Assessor's office.



- 3. BOOK, 1925--. 263 vols.
- Record of personal and real property assessed, showing description of land, assessed value, location, and mortgage exemption. Arranged alphayetically by owner. Handwritten. 80 pp.  $18 \times 12 \times 1\frac{1}{20}$ . C.C., Assessor's office.
- 4. REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENTS, 1928-32. 38 vols., marked by year. Printed schedules of property assessments showing assessed value, description, mortgage examptions, and improvements. Indexed alphabetically. Handwritten on printed form. 175 pp. 16 x 12 x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ . C.C., Assessor's office.
- 5. GIBSON COUNTY, ATLAS OF, 1929-30. 1 vol.

  Political and communications maps showing townships and towns of Gibson

  County. Drawn by Ray Allen and published by Roy R. King, Princeton,

  Ind. Blueprints. Scale 2" to 1 mile. 22 pp. 18 x 30. C.C., Assessor's office.
- 6. PRINCETON, CITY OF, 1925.

  Communications map of Princeton. Drawn by E. E. Watts. Black and white.

  Scale, 1" to 300 ft. 36 x 36. C.C., Assessor's office.



## AUDITOR

The Auditor is a constitutional officer, elected for a four-year term, and entitled to hold office for not more than eight years in any period of twelve. The Auditor is required to post bond in the amount of ten thousand dollars. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; Burns 49-3003.)

The Auditor is the clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.

He preserves the documents, books, records, maps, and papers deposited in his office; examines and settles all accounts and demands charge—able against Gibson County; keeps an account current with the Treasurer; acknowledges deeds and mortgages executed for the security of trust funds; issues pension certificates; institutes suits on be—half of trust funds; files records of poor relief and reports of charity cases; approves bonds of township trustees; advertises and sells bonds; delivers election supplies to election inspectors; prepares tax duplicates; verifies tax rates; issues tax deeds; acts as custodian of school funds; and accepts bequests for commeteries. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1879; Burns 49-3004 /11887/ to 49-3018 /11903/.)

### Bonds

7. ASSESSOR'S BONDS, 1880-1930. 1.vol.

Record of bonds of township assessors. Indexed alphabetically. Hand-written on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 14. C.C., Auditor's office.



- 8. BOND REGISTER, 1900-31. 3 vols.

  Record of bond issues for construction of roads. Indexed alphabetically. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C.,

  Auditor's office.
- 9. BOND RECORD, DEPOSITORY, 1930-32. 2 vols. (1.4). numbered /x
  Record showing bonds of banks and trust companies, covering deposits
  of county funds. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed
  form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Auditor's office.

# Budget

- 10. BALANCE BOOK, 1925--. 2 vols.

  Record showing balance reports of Auditor's and Treasurer's offices.

  Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form 350 pp. 15 x

  20 x 3. C.C., Auditor's record room.
- 11. ORDERS, COUNTY, 1870--. 36 boxes.

  Record of orders issued and paid. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C., 20 boxes, 1870-1926, Relief office; 16 boxes, 1926--, Auditor's office.
- 12. FEE AND CASH BOOK, 1896--. 5 vols. (1, 5, 3 numbered 2).

  Record of all fees collected. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., 4 vols., 1896-1927,

  Janitor's room; 1 vol., 1927--, Auditor's office.

# School Funds

13. CONTRACT AND PAYMENT RECORD, 1895-1932. 1 vol.

Record of money borrowed from school fund, contracts, payments, and delinquencies. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Auditor's office.



- 14. SCHOOL AND TRUST FUNDS, INVENTORY OF, 1886--. 1 vol.

  Record of school fund loans. Arranged alphayetically by mortgagee.

  Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 13 x 21 x 1. C.C., Auditor's office.
  - 15. SCHOOL FUND LOANS, REGISTER OF, 1889--. 2 vols. (4-5).
  - V. 1-3, prior to 1889, missing.

Record of mortgages for securing school fund loans. Indexed alpha- ...
betically by mortgager. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13
x 4. C.C., Auditor's office.

- 16. SCHOOL FUND, REGISTER OF, 1897--- 1 vol. (5).

  Rocord of money borrowed from school fund, showing names and date.

  Indexed alphabetically by mortgagee. Handwritten on printed form.

  500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Auditor's office.
  - 17. FUND BOOK, TOWNSHIP, 1912-32. 1 vol.

Record of school funds, congressional township fund, balance sheet, and annual distribution of interest. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 350 pp. 13 x 21 x 2. C.C., Auditor's office.

# Social Security

- 18. OLD AGE PENSION, RECORD OF, 1933--. 2 vols. (1-2).

  Record of applications. Indexed alphabetically by applicant. Hand-written on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Auditor's office.
- 19. (POOR ALLOWANCE), 1856--. 25 boxes.

  Record of poor allowance. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C., 17 boxes, 1856-1927, Relief office; 8 boxes, 1927--, Auditor's office.



- 20. (POOR CLAIMS), 1860--. 40 files.

  Record of poor claims paid. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C., 25 boxes, 1860-1925, Relief office; 15 boxes, 1925--, Auditor's office.
- 21. (POOR RELIEF REPORTS, MONTHLY), 1926--. 5 boxes.

  Monthly reports on relief. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C., Auditor's office.

#### Statistics

- 22. (OFFICERS' REPORTS), 1857--. 75 boxes.

  Reports of county officers. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C., Auditor's office.
- 23. (TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S REPORTS), 1856--. 50 file boxes.

  Record of reports of township trustees. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C.,

  30 boxes, 1856-1927, Relief office; 20 boxes, 1927--, Auditor's office.

## Tax

- 24. (BANK EXCISE REPORTS), 1890--. 40 file boxes. 30 mg/m/
  Reports on bank excise. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C., 1890-1925, 10 to year.

  Relief office; 1925--, Auditor's office.
- 25. (BUILDING AND LOAN COMPANY REPORTS), 1891--. 44 boxes.

  Excise reports of building and loan companies. No index. 12 x 5 x 13.

  C.C., Auditor's office.
- 26. MORTGAGE EXEMPTIONS, 1932--. 95 vols.

  Record of affidavits of mortgage indebtedness of property owners.

  Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor. Handwritten on printed form.

  300 pp. 16 x 10 x 1\frac{1}{2}. C.C., Auditor's office.



- 27. SALE OF REAL ESTATE FOR DELINQUENT TAXES, 1894-1932. 1 vol.

  Record of sale of real estate for delinquent taxes. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Auditor's
  office.
  - 28. TRANSFER BOOK, 1859--. 286 vols. (1-2, and 284 vols. not numbered.

Record of transfers of all real estate snowing, name of seller, buyer, description of property, assessed valuation, and condition of taxes.

Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 346 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Auditor's office.



#### CLERK

The Clerk of the Circuit Court is a constitutional officer, elected for a four-year term, and not entitled to hold office more than eight years in any twelve-year period. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; Burns 49-2701 / 11841/2) ×

The Clerk preserves all records and writings filed in his office; procures all necessary judges' appearance, bar, judgment, and execution dockets, and order and final record books; attends the Gibson County sessions of the Gibson Circuit and enters in the proper record book all orders, judgments, and decrees of the court; keeps a complete record of all causes where the title to land is involved and of criminal causes where the puhishment is death or imprisonment. He is authorized to receive all funds ordered to be paid into the court. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1859, 1867,... 1979 Special Session, 1929, and 1933; Burns 49-2701 to 49-2725 / 11841-118577.)

## Bonds

- 29. MISCELIANEOUS BOND RECORD, 1907--. 2 vols. (I-II) x
  Record of bonds not carried in a special set of books. Indexed
  alphabetically by name. 1907-18, handwritten on printed form;
  1918--, typed on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x13 x 4. C.C.,
  Clerk's office.
  - 30. OFFICIAL BOND RECORD, 1884--. 3 vols. (2-4). V. 1, prior to 1884, missing.

Record of bonds, oaths, and letters of naturies public. Indexed alphabetically by name. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C. C., Clerk's office.



31. RECOGNIZANCE BOND RECORD, 1927--. 1 vol.

Record of bonds in criminal cases. Prior to 1927, record carried in Midcellaneous Bond Record. Arranged alphabetically by name. Hand-written. 600 pp. 18 z 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

For earlier records, see No. 29.

Court, Circuit

- 32. CIVIL CASES, 1933--. 19 file boxes.

  Record of civil cases pending. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C., Court office.
- Soe No. 34.

34. CRIMINAL ORDER BOOK, 1899--. 16 vols. Numbering varies. Record and description of criminal proceedings. Prior to 1899, this record was carried in Civil Order Book. Arranged alphabetically by defendant. 1899-1917, handwritten; 1918--, typed. Condition fair. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

For earlier records, sec No. 33.

35. DIVORCE ORDER BOOK, 1900--. 8 vols. Numbering varies.

Record of divorce cases. Arranged alphabetically by plaintiff. 190018, handwritten; 1918--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.



56. DOCKET, 1927--. 12 vols. Prior to 1927, missing. After the immediately repedding five-year period, these records are destroyed, as original records are kept in file boxes.

Record of all court cases. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Hand-written. 600 pp. 16 x 16 x 4. C.C., 97vols., 1927-30, Cherk's office; 3 vols., 1931--, Court office.

- 37. DRAINAGE ORDER BOOK, 1889--. Numbering varies.

  Record of ditch and drainage court cases. Indexed alphabetically by ditch. 1889-1917, handwritten; 1918--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4.

  C.C., Clerk's office.
  - 38. DRAINAGE RECORD, 1890--- 3 vols. 2 vols. numbered 1; 1 vol. not numbered.

Record of petitions for drainage or repair of ditches with Surveyor's description, showing petitioner, description of land, section, township, range, number of acres, and assessments, accompanied by diagram. Indexed alphabetically by ditch. Handwritten on printed form. Condition poor. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 . C.C., Surveyor's office.

39. ENTRY AND ISSUE DOCKET AND FEE BOOK, 1872--. 40 vols. (K,

M-Z, 1-25). V. A-J, L, dates unknown, missing.

Record of court costs, witness fees, and fines. Prior to 1914, both civil and criminal cases were included; after 1914, criminal cases were recorded in State Fee Book, q. v. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., v. K, M-W, 1872-1915, attic; v. X-Z, 1-25, 1914--, Clerk's office.



40. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1853--. 17 vols. (1-17).

Record of civil suits on which judgments are not paid and Sheriff's order to collect. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten. Condition fair. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

41. GENERAL INDEX, 1815--. 5 vols. (1-5).

Index to file boxes in Clerk's office. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

42. INSANITY RECORD, 188144. 5 vols. (1-5).

Record of proceedings in commitments and recommitments of persons to Insane Asylum. Indexed alphabetically by name. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

43. JUDGMENT DOCKET, 1865--. 12 vols. (6-17). V. 1-5, prior to 1865. missing.

Record of judgments collected by the clerk. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., v. 6-13, 1865-1913, attic; v. 14-17, 1913--, Clerk's office.

44. JUDGMENT INDEX, 1931--. 1 vol.

Index to plaintiffs obtaining judgments. Arranged alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

45. LIS PENDENS RECORD, 1891--. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of notices in suits pending, to prevent defendants from selling real estate. Arranged alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., v. 1, 1891-99, attic; v. 2-3, 1899--, Clerk's office.



46. ORDER OF SALE DOCKET, 1934--. 1 vol.

Record of orders to Sheriff for sale of real estate and of Sheriff's return. Prior to 1934, this record was carried in Execution Docket, q. v. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 290 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

For earlier record, see No. 40.

47. PARTITION RECORD, 1853--- 9 vols. (1-5, 2 sets numbered 1-4).

Record of partitions of real estate. Arranged alphabetically by plaintiff. 1853-1911, handwritten; 1911--, typed. Condition poor. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., v. 1-5, 1853-1925, Clerk's office; v. 1-4, 1881--, Recorder's office.

48. QUIET TITLE DEED, 1911-23. 1 vol.

Record of quiet title doods. Arranged alphabetically by grantee and granter. Typed. Condition poor. 588 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C.,

Recorder's office.



49. STATE FEE BOOK, 1922--- 2 vols. (8-9).

Record of criminal cases. Arranged alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

# Court, Common Pleas

50. OPDER BOCK, 1852-73. 8 vols. (1-8).

Record of court cases. Handwritten. Condition fair. 600 pp. 18 x

13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's sub-office.

# Court, Probate

51. ADMINISTRATOR'S BOYDS AND OATHS, FECCHD OF, 1891--. 7 vols. (4-10). v. 1-3, missing.

Record of bonded administrator's of estates. Arranged alphabetically by deceased. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., v. 4-7, 1891-1918, attic; v. 8-10, 1918--, Clork's office.

- 52. ADMINISTRATION'S DEED RECORD, 1882-1909. 1 vol.

  Record of deeds after sale of property settling estates. Arranged alphabetically by deceased. Handwritten. Condition very poor. 600 pp.

  18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Recorder's office.
- 53. CCMPLETE RECORD, 1830-53. 5 vols. (A-E).

  Record of court cases. Arranged alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.
- 54. ESTATES, 1921--. 2 drawers (A-K, L-Z).

  Record of estate papers pending in court. No index. 12 x 18 x 13.

  C.C., Clerk's office.



- 55. EMECUTOR'S DIED RECORD, 1882-1900. 1 vol.
- Record of property disposed of under order of an executor appointed by the court. Indexed alphabetically by executor. Handwritten, 535 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Recorder's office.
  - 56. FEE BOOK, 1884--. 9 vols. (1-9).

Record showing cost of administrating cases in court. Indexed alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

- 57. FRES AND FUNDS FELD IN TRUST, REGISTER OF, 1914--. 2 vols.
  - (2-5). V. 1, prior to 1914, missing.

Record of fees collected by court and held for defendant. Indexed alphabetically by payee. Handwritten. Condition for. 600 pp.

18 x 13 x 4. 0.0., Clerk's office.

- 58. GENERAL ENTRY CLAIF AND ALLOWANCE DOCKET, 1899--. 12 vols.
- (7-18). V. 1-6, prior to 1899, extening. Last in fine

Record of estates and claims against estates. Indexed alphabetically by decedents. Hardwritten, pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., 7. 7-11, 1099-1919, attic; v. 12-18, 1919--, court office.

- 59. GENERAL HIDEN (TO) ESTATES, 1868--. 3 vols. (1-3).

  Index to file boxes cencerning estates. Arranged alphabetically by estate. Handwritten. Condition fair. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C.,

  Clerk's office.
- 60. GENERAL HEDEM (TO) GUARDIAN, 1868--. 2 vols. (1-2).

  Index of guardians. Indexed alphabetically by guardian. Handwritten.

  600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

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- 61. GUARDIAN, 1910 --. 2 drawers (A-J, K-Z).

  Record of guardian cases pending in court. No index. 18 x 13 x 36.

  C.C.. Clerk's office.
- 62. GUARDIAN DEED RECORD, 1883-1905. 1 vol.

  Record of deed recorded by guardians for minors. Indexed alphabetically by guardians. Handwritten. 580 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.
  - 63. GUARDIANS BONDS AND OATHS, 1907 -- 2 vols. (5-6). V. 1-4, prior to 1907, lost in fire.

Records of bonds and oaths of guardians. Indexed alphabetically by guardian. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerkås office.

- 64. GUARDIANS: DOCKET AND FEE BOOK, 1907 --. 3 vols. (4-6).
- V. 1-3, prior to 1907, missing.

Record of guardian's expenses. Indexed alphabetically by ward. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

65. GUARDIANSHIP DOCKET, 1889 -- 3 vols. (6-8) Prior to 1889, missing.

Record of proceedings of wards and their guardians in court. Indexed alphabetically by ward. Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Court room.

66. ORDER BOOK, 1817 -- 45 vols. (A-D, 1-41).

Record of estate of deceased persons and of guardianships. Indexed alphabetically by deceased and guardians. 1817-1917, handwritten; 1918 --, typed. Condition fair. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's sub-office.

67. RECORDS, 1855 --. 1715 boxos. (1-1715).

Record of guardian, civil and probate cases. Arranged chronologically.

4 x 10 x 13. C.C., v. 1-1120, dates unknown, attic; v. 1121-1451,

Clerk's sub-office; v. 1452-1715, Clerk's office.



- 68. WILLS, RECORD OF, 1891 -- 3 vols. (1-3).
- Record of decisions and description of Wills. Indexed alphabetically by testator. Handwritten. Condition fair. 585 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Recorder's office.
- 69. WILLS, 1813 -- 11 vols. (A-B, D-L). V.C, 1822-26, missing. Record of Wills. Indexed alphabetically by deceased. 1813-1917, hand-written; 1917 -- typed. 400 pp. 15 x 10 x 2. C.C., Clerk's office.

### ELECTION

- 70. ABSENT VOTERS, 1922 --. 2 vols. (1-2).

  Record of absent voters. Discontinued in 1924; reinstated in 1936.

  A rranged chronologically. Handwritten. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C.,

  Clerk's office.
- 71. ELECTION RECORD, 1890 --. 2 vols. (1-2).

  Record of election returns and supplies for procincts. Arranged chronologically. Typed. Condition fair. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Ckerk's office.
- 72. REGISTRATION, 1934 --. 5 drawers.

  Record of registration of voters. No index. 18 x 6 x 36. C.C., Clerk's office.

## Licenses and Registers

- 73. CARRY FIRE ARMS, PERMIT TO, 1929 -- 3 vols.

  Records of permits to carry fire arms. No index. Handwritten on printed forms. 100 pp. 8 x 12 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office.
- 74. DENTIST'S CERTIFICATE AND LICENSE, 1899. 1 vol.

  Record of Dentist's certificates and licenses. Arranged alphabetically.

  by dentist. Handwritten on printed form. 120 pp. 13 x 10 x 1. C.C.,

  Clerk's office.



- 75. JUNK DEALERS LICENSE APPLICATION FOR, 1922 --. 1 vol.

  Record of junk dealers applications for licenses. Indoxed alphabetically by applicant. Handwritten. Condition fair. 150 pp. 10 x 7 xl. C.C.,

  Clerk's office.
- 76. MARRIAGES, 1845 -- 21 vols. (1-21).

  Record of marriage licenses issued. Arranged alphabetically by groom.

  Handwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.
- 77. MARRIAGE REGISTER, 1813-68. 3 vols. Earlier volumes lost.

  Register of marriage licenses. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. Condition very poor. 175 pp. 13 x 8 x l. C.C.,

  Clerk's office.
- 78. POULTRY DEALERS LICENSE, 1933 --- 1 vol.

  Record of application for licenses. Indexed alphabetically by applicant.

  Handwritten. Condition fair. 150 pp. 13 x 10 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office.
  - 79. REGISTRATION, TO PRACTICE OPTOMETRY, CERTIFICATES OF, 1907.

Record of certificates of registration of optometrists. Indexed alphabetically by optometrist. Handwritten. Condition fair. 150 pp. 15 % 10 x l. C.C., Clerk's office.

## MAPS

80. GIBSON COUNTY; 1927.

l vol.

Political map snowing election precincts. Drawn by Harry C. Morrison. Blue print. Scale,  $1\frac{1}{2}^n - 1$  mile. 6 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

#### RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

81. CASH BOOK OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, 1925 --. 3 vols. (1-3)



Record of Sheriff's allowances that are filed with Auditor. No index.

12 x 5 x 13. C.C., 30 boxes, 1856-1926, relief office; 20 boxes.

1926--, Auditor's office.



## COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY

1

The Board of County Commissioners is a statutory body consisting of three qualified elections, elected for three years on party tickets at the general election. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1929; Burns 26-601 /59137.)

The Board of County Commissioners holds twelvo monthly sessions. It makes orders respecting the property of Gibson County, sells, purchases, takes care of and perserves the property. It allows all accounts chargeable against the county not otherwise provided for and directs the raising of sums necessary for expenses, audits account of all officers, provides election supplies, and maintains highways. It may abolish or change township or precinct boundary lines, establish libraries and hospitals, aid war veterans, pay bounties, offer reward, and appoint deputy sheriffs, highway, and drainage commissioners.

(1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts, 1863, 1865, 1879 Special Session, 1885, 1897, 1899, 1907, 1913, 1921, and 1929; Burns 26-601 to 26-639, 5913-61037)

# Claims

- 82. CLAIM And ALLOWANCE RECORD, 1928 -- 4 vols. (10-13).
- V. 1-9, prior to 1928, missing.

Record of claim filed and allowed by commissioners snowing cause, date of filing, amount of claim and amount allowed.

Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Auditor's office.

83. SHERIFF'S ALLOWANCE, 1856 --- 56 boxes.

Record of Sheriff's allowances that are filed with Auditor. No index.

12 x 5 x 13. C.C., 30 boxes, 1856-1926, relief office; 20 boxes, 1926--,
Auditor's office.



# Proceedings and Reports

- 84. (COURT RECORDS), 1857--. Sofile boxes.

  Court records. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. 18 boxes, 1857-1911, relief office; 12 boxes, 1911--, Auditor's office.
- 85. RECORD, 1835--. 64 vols. (A-Z, 1-38).

  Record of Commissioners' meetings and minutes. No index. 600 pp. Gudutouf.

  18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Auditor's office.

Roads, Bridges, and Ditches

86. ROAD PAPERS, 1857--. 50 file boxes.

Record of Commissioners' allowances and road papers. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C., 30 boxes, 1857-1911, Relief office, 20 boxes, 1912-5, Auditor's office.

87. GRAVEL ROAD RECORD, 1921-33. 8 vols. (1-8).

Record of petitions for road improvements. Indoted alphabetically by petitioner. Typed. 650 pp. 16 x 12 x 4. C.C., Auditor's office.

88. ROAD RECORDS, 1857--. 25 boxes.

Record of road improvements. No index. 12 x 5 x 13. C.C., Auditor's office.



### CORONER

The Coroner is a constitutional officer, elected biennially.

There is no prohibition against continuous tenure of office. He is nominated by primary and elected at the general election. The Coroner must furnish a five thousand dollar bond. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2.)

The Coroner investigates violent deaths. He can arrest the Sheriff in case that becomes necessary, and performs the duties of the Sheriff when the Sheriff is interested, absent, or otherwise incapacitated from serving. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1871, 1879 Special Session, and 1933; Burns, 49-2901 to 49-2915 /I1866-11880/.)

89. INQUEST, 1933--. 10 bundles.

Records made by coroner at inquests. No index. 10 x 4 x 5. Roy C.

Smith's office, 218 S. Grove St., Cakland, Ind.



# FINANCE, BOARD OF

The Board of Gibson County Commissioners constitutes the Board of Finance. The Auditor acts as secretary. The Board may sue and be sued in its own name whenever necessary to accomplish the purposes intended by its creation.

In Gibson County, since the County Treasurer is ex-officio Treasurer of Princeton, the county seat, and is ex-officio treasurer of the school city or board of school commissioners of Princeton, the Board of Finance consists of the Board of County Commissioners, the mayor, controller, and the chief executive officer of the school city or the board of school commissioners of Princeton.

The Board of Finance has charge of and controls the funds of Gibson County, the funds of Princeton, and the funds of Princeton school city. (Acts 1907; Burns 61-606 /126167.)

The Board of Finance selects the depository for Gibson County funds. It approves the purchase of U. S. Government bonds or other interest-bearing obligations of the U. S. Government. It invites proposals to receive public funds on deposit, receives porposals, and creates and revokes depositories. (Acts 1907, 1909, 1931; Burns 61-610 to 61-613 /12620-26/.)

90. REPORTS, 1857--. 25 boxos.

Reports to Auditor by Board of Minance. No index. 12 x 5 x 13.

C.C., Auditor's office.



#### HEALTH COMMISSIONER

The Health Commissioner is appointed by the County Commissioners for a four-year term and is not restricted or limited as to the number of years he may serve. (Burns 35-108 /81537.)

It is the duty of the Health Commissioner to study and check contagious diseases in the various communities, wherever and whenever possible, and advise and counsel various persons interested in the control of diseases. He is required to maintain records of births, deaths, marriages, make dairy inspections, food inspections, and hold regular examinations of pupils in the various schools of Gibson County at regular intervals. (Acts 1891; Burns 35-108 18158).)

The Health Commissioner has his official records in his private office. The incumbent is Dr. Gwalting, who resides in Fort Branch, Ind..

91. BIRTH RECORD, 1882--. 19 vols.

Records of all births and deaths except those in incorporated cities and towns. Arranged alphabetically by parents. Handwritten, 200 pp.

16 x 12 x 1. Dr. Gwalting's office, Locust St., Fort Branch, Ind.

92. DEATHS, 1887--. 12 vols.

Reports of deaths outside of incorporated towns. Indoxed alphabetically by deceased. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 16 x 12 x 1. Dr. Gwalting's office, Locust St., Fort Branch, Ind.



95. DANCEROUS DISEASES, 1890--. 5 vols.

Records of contageous diseases, outside of incorporated towns. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. Dr. Gwalting's office, Locust St., Ft, Branch, Ind.

94. MARRIAGE RECORD, 1881--. 15 vols.

Records of marriages. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp.

16 x 12 x 2. Dr. Galting's office. Locust St., Funch, Ind.



### HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR

The county highway system was, at any time, adminstered by the Superintendent of Highways who was appointed by the County Commissioners for a term of four years, and many record bear his name and title. This office was established in 1913 and abolished Marchl, 1933, and the powers and duties given to the Surveyor (Acts, 1913,1933; Burns 36-1113). In order to provide for necessary supervision in counties wa rranting more attention than the Surveyor can give, the Board of County Commissioners of any county of the State of Indiana has the right to employ any person other than the Surveyor as supervisor of county highways, and such officer is called the Highway Supervisor (Acts, 1933; Burns 36-1110). The Board of Commissioners of Gibson County have appointed a separate Highway Supervisor. The Highway Supervisor of Gibson County has general supervision of the repair of all highways, bridges, and culverts of the county. It is his duty to see that the mail routes are kept open. He must attend the annual road school at Purdue University. (Acts. 1933; Burns 36-1101 to 36-1109).

95. GIBSON COUNTY, 1927. Communications Map drawn by Harry C. Morrison. Blue print showing townships and towns. Scale,  $l_{\Xi}^{1n}$  to  $l_{\Xi}^{1}$  mile. 48 x 72. C.C., Superintendent's office.

96. GRAVEL (ROAD) REPORTS, 1928 -- 1 box. Gravel roads reports. No index. 11 x 13 x 24. C.C., Superintendent's office.



97. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS, 1928--- 2 boxes.

Collection of correspondence and reports. No index. 11 x 13 x 24.

98. Purchases, 1928--. 2 boxes.

Records of purchasing supplies for county roads. No index. 11 x 13 x 24. C.C., Superintendent's office.

99. STATE PRISON REPORTS, (MATERIALS) 1928--. 1 box.

State Prison reports on materials furnished. No index. 11 x 13 x 24.

C.C., Superintendent's office.

100. PECORD, 1914--. 8 vols. (1-8).

Expenditures for gravel roads. Arranged by districts. Handwritten on printed forms. 300 pp. 12 x 15 x 2½. C.C., v. 1, 2, 3, 7, 1914-19, 1929-32, Superintendent's office; v. 4, 5, 6, 1919-29, storage room. V. 8, 1952--, Auditor's office.

101. TRUCK REPORTS, 1928--. 1 box.

Reports on trucks. No index. 11 x 13 x 24. C.C., Superintendent's office.

102. W. P. A. REPORTS, 1928--. 1 box.

Reports on W. P. A. work. 11 x 13 x 24. C.C., Superintendent's office.



#### RECORDER

The Recorder is a constitutional officer elected for a four-year term. He is nominated in the primary and elected in the regular election, and is not eligible to hold office for more than eight years in any twelve-year period (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts, 1901; Burns 49-3201).

It is his duty to enter upon the books of his office at the time they are executed all satisfactions, cancelations, and assignments; of whatever kinds, attest the release of mortgages, leases, or other instruments required by law to be recorded, record every conveyance or other instrument entitled and required by law to be recorded in Gibson County, to keep special records of cemetery deeds, cometery associations, farm names, chattel mortgages, and miscellaneous instruments. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1855, 1875 Special Session, 1905, 1913, 1919, 1925, 1927, and 1931; Burns 49-3203 to 49-3235 /11923-11953/.)

#### Deeds

103. CCHRISSI NER'S DEED FECORD. 1882-1905. 1 vol.

Record of property sales by court appointed commissioner, where executor and heirs fail to agree. 580 pp. 1882-1902, 1903-05, handwritten; 1903, typed. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Recorder's office.

104. DEED RECORDS, 1813--. 131 vols.

Record showing type of deeds, grantee, granter, description of property, and parties involved. Indexed alphabetically by grantee. 1813-1911, handwritten; 1911--, typed. 400 pp. 13 x 8 x l. C.C., Pecorder's office.



105. DELIG, GENERAL HIDEN OF, 1813--. 42 vols.

Record of deeds showing names, dates, consideration and descriptions

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| of property | Indexed alphabetically by grantee and granter. 475 pp. |
| 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

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106. ENTRY BOOKS; DEED ENTRY, 1847--. 23 vols. V. 1-2, prior to 1847, missing.

Record of daily business. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 310 pp. 18 x 13 x 22. C.C., Recorder's office.

107. SHERIFF'S DEED PECOPD. 1867-1933. 4 vols. (1-4).

Record of court foreclosures, showing descriptions of deeds. Indexed alphabetically by owners. 1867-1911, handwritten; 1911-1933, typed.

440 pp. 18xx 13 x 1 7/8. C.C., Recorder's office.

108. (SHERIFFS) TAX TITLE DEED RECORD, 1863-1934. 3 vols. (1-3). Record showing land deeds, sold for delinquent taxes. Indexed alphabetically by buyer. 1863-1911, handwritten; 1912-34, typed. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

#### Fees

109. FEE AND CASH BOOK, 1894--. 16 vols. Prior to 1900, missing.

Record showing fees collected, and cash on hand. Arranged chronologic-ally. Handwritten on printed form. 800 pp. 17 x 12 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

#### Maps

110. ELECTION PRECINCTS. 1927. Political map drawn by Harry C. Morrison, Surveyor. Scale,  $1^{1/n}_{\infty}$  to 1 mile. 48 x 72. C.C., Recorder's office.

Political and communication map. Drawn by Roy Allen and Roy King,

Princeton, Indiana, Showing townships and towns. Scale 2" = 1 mile.

18 x 30. C.C., Recorder's office.



11.2. TOWN PLAT BOOK, 1875--. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record showing town and cometery plats. Indexed alphabetically. Hand-written. 450 pp. 24 x 18 x 32. C.C., Recorder's office.

### Mortgages

113. CHATTEL RINUTE BOOK, 1935--. 1 vol.

Book containing description of chattel mortgages. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor. Handwritten. 272 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

114. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, 1935--. 4 drawers. (A-Z).

Record of mortgages. Arranged alphabetically by mortgagor. 17 x 27 x 12. C.C., Recorder's office.

115. CHATTEL MORTGAGE RECORD, 1900-55. 56 vols. V. 1-17, prior to 1900, missing.

Record of mortgages taken on chattels. Arranged alphabetically. 1900-11, handwritten; 1911-35, typed. 590 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

116. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, INDEX OF, 1935--. 2 vols.

Record showing date of mortgage, consideration, when filed, name, when satisfied, and number of instrument. Arranged alphabetically by mortgagor and mortgagee. Handwritten. 450 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

117. FEDERAL TAX LIEN INDEX, 1926. 1 vol.

Index to federal tax liens, showing name of owner, residence, file number, collector's number, Arranged alphabetically. Handwritten on printed form. 275 pp. 10 x 13 x 12, 0.0., Recorder's office.



- 118. INSTRUMENTS NOT CALLED FOR, 1899-1928. 52 boxes. (A-Z).

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  Record of liens against property or holdings. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten. Condition fair. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Recorder's office.
- 120. MORTGAGE RECORD, 1848--. Title varies.

  Record showing mortgages on real estate. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor. 1848-1910, handwritten; 1910--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Recorder's office.
- 121. RELEASE RECORD, 1900--. 10 vols.

  Record showing release of property from satisfied mortgages. Arranged alphabetically by mortgagor. 1900-11, handwritten; 1911--, typed.

  525 pp. 18 x 13 x 3 3/4. C.C., Recorder's office.

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122. ENLISTMENT RECORD, 1865--. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record showing enlistments and discharges of service men from civil war to date. Tunting and fishing permits included. Indexed alphabetically by name. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair.

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Register of farm names showing owner, farm, description and location.

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250 pp. 9 x 13 x 1. C.C., Recorder's office.



124. INCORPORATION RECORD, ARRICLES OF, 1897--. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record showing articles of incorporation. Indexed alphabetically by incorporators. 1904-11, handwritten; 1911--, typed. 450 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Recorder's office.

125. HARKS AND BRANDS, PECOND OF, 1813-89. 1 vol.

Record of marks and brands used on live stock. Indexed alphabetically by name. Handwritten. Condition fair. 185 pp. 18 x 13 x 1 3/4.

C.C., Recorder's office.

126. MISCELLAMEOUS RECORD, 1867--, 36 vols.

Miscellaneous records. Indexed alphabetically by name of parties.

1922--, typed. 588 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Recorder's office.

127. TRACT BOOK OF COUNTY, 1831-75. 1 vol.

Description of tracts of land of Gibson Co. No index. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Auditor's office.



## SCHOOLS, SUPLIBILITY OF

The Superintendent is elected by the township trustees for a four-year term. The candidate must have had five years' successful experience as a teacher in the public schools, and at the time of his election he must hold a superintendent's license. He must give bond for five thousand dollars. (Acts 1889, 1911, 1913, and 1927; Burns 20-702 [5507].)

The Superintendent exercises general supervision of the schools of Gibson County. He visits schools while they are in session, conducts teachers' institutes, and calls meetings of teachers of Gibson County schools once each month in the school year. His jurisdiction is limited to unincorporated communities. He makes out the basis of apportionment of school revenues from the onumeration. Official records of other county officers shall be open to his inspection, and he shall bring suit against them for neglect of duty. He presides over the county Board of Education and receives applications for school aid relief.

(Acts 1953; Burns 28-901 to 28-911.)

#### Children

128. SCHOOL CEMSUS, 1919-29. 18 drawers.

Record of school census. Arranged chronologically. Condition fair.

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129. COMMON SCHOOL GRADUATES, RECORD OF, 1800--. 5 vols. Record showing all common school graduates. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 14 x 8 x  $\frac{1}{2}$ . C.C., Superintendent's office.



- 130. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, RECORD OF, 1904-13. 4 vols.

Record showing graduates of county high schools. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 50 pp. 11 x 8 x 2. C.C., Super-

131. STUDENT'S RECORD, 1930--. 10 files.

Contains records of scholars in county schools. Indexed alphabetically by township. 15 x 11 x 25. C.C., Superintendent's office.

Transcript work of high school graduates in county. No index. 11 x 16 x 25. C.C., Superintendent's office.

Maps

132. TRANSCRIPT WORK, 1916--. 1 box.

133. GIBSON COURTY, 1898.

intendent's office.

Political maps of townships and towns in county. Published by Crescent Engraving & Publishing Co., Evansville, Indiana. Scale  $2^{u}=1$  mile. 15 x 30. C.C., Superintendent's office.

Proceedings and Reports

134. APPROPRIATION PEPORT, 1919-20. 6 drawers.

Record of appropriations of school revenue. Arranged chronologically by township. Condition fair. 7 x 6 x 14. C.C., Superintendent's office.

Auditor's reports. No index. 11 x 16 x 23. C.C., Superintendent's office.



136. FINANCIAL REPORTS, 1919--. 2 drawers, 1 file box.

Reports of county superintendent. No index. Condition fair. 13 x 12 x 20. C.C., Superintendent's office.

Report of county school inspectors. Indexed alphabotically. 11 x 16 x 23. C.C., Superintendent's office.

138. PUBLIC SCHOOL MARGALS, 1916--. 1 box.

Manuals of county public schools. No index. 11 x 16 x 23. C.C.,

Superintendent's office.

139. MANUSCRIPTS, 1900-15. 3 vols.

Record showing applications for teacher's licenses. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 14 x 8 x  $\frac{1}{12}$ . C.C., Superintendent's office.

140. RECAPITULATION REPORTS, 1919-29. 6 drawers.

Recapitulation sheets. Arranged chronologically. Condition fair.

11 x 5 x 14. C.C., Superintendent's office.

141. STATE, REPORTS TO, 1916--. 2 boxes.

Statistical reports of county high schools to state. 1916--, no index; 1923--, indexed alphabetically. 11 x 16 x 23. C.C., Superintendent's office.

142. TAX RATE REPORTS, 1923--- 1 box.

Record of all tax rates in county. Indexed alphabetically. If x 16 x 23. C.C., Superintendent's office.

143. TRUSTEE'S KEETINGS, RECO D OF, 1917--. 3 vols.

Record of business transactions in meetings. Arranged chronologically.

Handwritten. 100 pp. 13 x 8 x 3/8. C.C., Superintendent's office.



144. TRUSTEES REPORTS, 1923--. 1 box.

Trustees reports. Indexed alphabetically. 11 x 16 x 23. C.C.,

Superintendent's office.

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- 145. DIRECTORY OF TEACHERS, 1923--. 1 box.

  Directory of all teachers in county. Indexed alphabetically. 11 x 16 x 23. C.C., Superintendent's office.
- 146. TEACHER'S EXAMINATION PECORD, 1890-1923. 3 vols.

  Persons who have taken examinations for teacher's licenses. Arranged chronelogically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 11 x 2.

  C.C., Superintendent's office.
- 147. TEACHER'S LICENSES, 1919-35. 4 drawers, 2 boxes.

  Record of teacher's licenses. Boxes, indexed alphabetically; drawers, arranged chronologically. Condition fair. 6 x 9 x 14. C.C., Superintendent's office.
- 148. TEACHER'S SCHEDULES, 1923--. 1 box.

  Record of teachers' salaries. Indexed alphabetically. 11 x 16 x 23.

  C.C., Superintendent's effice.



#### SHERIFF

The Sheriff is a constitutional officer chosen for a two-year period and is not eligible to hold office more than four years in any period of six years. He is a political officer, nominated by primary and elected in the regular election. He must give bond for five thousand dollars. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-2901 - /Il858/.)

The Sheriff arrests without process all persons who, within his view, contait any crime or misdemeanor, delivers them before a justice of the peace of Gibson County and holds them in his custody until the cause of such arrest has been invertigated; pursues and cormits to jail all felons; and executes all process directed to him by legal authority. It is his duty also to protect from mobs and possible lynchings persons so in danger. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Eurns 49-2008 /11859-11365/.)

#### Executions

149. BEMCH WARRANTS, 1932--. 5 drawers.

Record of warrants, issued by court and served by Sheriff. No index.  $24 \times 12 \times 3$ . C.C., Sheriff's office.

150. CERTIFICATE OF SALE, 1932--. 5 drawers.

Record showing sales of property for taxes, debts, and fines. No index.  $24 \times 12 \times 3$ . C.C., Sheriff's office.

151. DEEDS, 1932--. 4 drawers.

Doeds for land sold for taxes or in payment for same. No index. 24 x 12 x 3%. C.C., Sheriff's office.



152. DOCHET, 1931--. 3 vols.

Record of summons after served. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Sheriff's office.

153. ENECUTION DOCKET, 1952--. 2 vols.

Record of Sheriff's sale of real estate and personal property, after foreclosure. Indexed alphabetically by buyer. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Sheriff's office.

154. PROCESS RECORD, 1929--- 1 vol.

Record of processes served showing mileage and amount due for services. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 500 pp. 18  $\times$  13  $\times$  2. C.C., Sheriff's effice.

## Fees

155. CASH BOOK, 1914---. 1 vol.

Record of amounts of fines and levies paid to Treasurer. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Sheriff's office.

156. FOREIGH FEES, REGISTER OF, 1950-- 1 vol.

Record of surmons served on people outside of county. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 15 x 12 x 4. C.C., Sheriff's office.

157. ARSON RECORDS, 1932--. 5 boxes.

Record of fires caused by arson. No index. 24 x 12 x 3%. C.C., Sheriff's office.

158. AUTOLOBILE PAPERS, 1932--. 8 boxes.

Record of automobile papers. Lo index. 24 x 12 x 5%. C.C., Sheriff's office.



159. LAW CONFESSIONS, 1952--. 5 boxes.

Record of confessions of criminals. No index. 24 x 12 x 32. 0.0., Sheriff's office.

160. PRISCHERS, RECORD OF, 1915---. 2 vols.

Record of people admitted to county jail. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 300 pp. 20 m 18 m 2. C.C., Sheriff's office.



#### SURVEYOR

The Surveyor, or county ongineer as he is sometimes known, is a constitutional officer, hominated by primary and elected in the general election for two years. He may be re-elected indefinitely. He must give bond in a sum fixed by the Board of County Commissioners.

(Indiana Const. Art. 6, Sec. 2; 1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-3301 /11954/.)

The Surveyor performs all duties required of him as civil engineer in the work of Gibson County, including the preparation of plans and specifications for, and general supervision of all bridges, turnpikes, roads, ditches, drains, and levees. He establishes boundaries of farms and lots, and takes admowledgments of mortgages and deeds for the convoyance of real estate. He removes after examination, the obstruction of any stream, and institutes forcelosure actions for sums due the county. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1875, 1895, 1901, 1911, 1925, and 1933; Burns 36-1110, 49-3308 to 49-3317 /11961-11970/, 40-3319 to 49-3322 /11972-11975/, and 49-3327 and 49-3328 /11990-11991/.)

161. BRIDGE ACCOUNTS, RECORD OF, 1899-1902. 1 vol.

Rocord of bridge repairing, dates, townships and amount. Indexed alphabetically by townships. Mandwritten. Condition fair. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Surveyor's reception office.

162. GIBSON COUNTY, 1927.

Political map showing townships, roads and ditches. Drawn by Harry C. Morrison. Scale,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  = 1 mile. 48 x 72. C.C., Surveyor's office.



165. RECORD, 1851-1935. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of legal surveys made. No index. Hendwritten. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.J., Surveyor's office.

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#### TREASURER

The Treasurer is a constitutional officer elected for a term of two years and is not eligible to serve more than four years in any period of six. He is nominated in the primary and elected in the regular election. He is required to execute his official bond of not less than the amount of money which may come into his hands at any time during the term. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 1.)

The Treasurer receives all money coming to Gibson County and disburses the same on the proper orders. He keeps fee books and cash books and makes quarterly reports to the Auditor. At the expiration of his term of office he gives a sworn statement to the Auditor showing specifically the amount of fees collected, and deposits with the Auditor all orders redeemed. He makes a monthly statement to the Treasurer of State, collects property and poll taxes and State license fees, sells all property found on any dead body remaining unclaimed for sixty days, and diverts to the State the proceeds from the sale of estates when the heirs are unknown. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 1; 1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1853; Burns 49-3103 to 49-3117 /11906-11920/.)

<sup>164.</sup> CASH BOOK, 1890--. 53 vols.

Record of all county taxes. No index. Handwritten on printed form.

600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. 47 vols., 1890-1929, C.C., basement storeroom;

6 vols., 1929--, Treasurer's office.

<sup>165.</sup> DAILY BALANCE BOOK, 1890--. 40 vols.

Record of cash taken in and paid out. Arranged chronologically.



Handwritton on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. 1890-1923, 1926, C.C., basement storeroom; 1924-25, 1927--, Treasurer's sub-office.

166. JOURNAL (DITCH ASSESSMENTS), 1922--. 4 vols.

Record of ditch assessment rolls in county. Indexed alphabetically by ditch. Handwritten. 500 pp. 13 x 9 x 3. C.C., Treasurer's office.

Report of collections and disbursements. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 20 x 16 x 3/4. 7 vols., 1890-1930, C.C., basoment storeroom; 2 vols., 1931--, Treasurer's sub-office.

167. MONTHLY BALANCE BOOK, 1890--. 9 vols.

163. PUBLIC LIBRARY LEDGER, 1903--. 2 vols.

Record of disbursements and receipts of county library. No index.

Handwritten. 156 pp. 18 x 9 x 1. C.C., Treasuror's office.

169. DUPLICATE WARRANTS, 1919--. 4 boxes.

Record of duplicate warrants. No index. 5 x 10 x 12. C.C., Treasurer's office.

170. WARRANTS BY DEPOSITORIES, REGISTER OF, 1913--. 9 vols.

Warrants of depositories. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. V. 1-5, 1913-27, C.C., basement storeroom; v. 6-9, 1927--, Treasurer's office.

171. PUBLIC LIBRARY, RECEIPTS OF, 1919--. 9 boxes.

Record of receipts of public library, and miscellaneous items. No index. 5 x 11 x 13. 1 box, C.C., Treasurer's sub-office; 8 boxes,

Treasurer's office.



172. TAX DUPLICATE, 1884--. 208 vols.

Record of real estate taxes in county. Indexed alphabetically. Hand-written on printed form. Condition poor. 300 pp. 15 x 26 x 14.

184 vols., 1884-1929, C.C., basement storeroom; 24 vols., 1929--,
Treasuror's office.

175. ORIGINAL RECORDS, (TAX RECEIPTS), 1919--. 3 boxes.

Original records of tax receipts. No index. 5 x 12 x 13. C.C., Treasurer's office.

174. TAX RECEIPTS, 1932--. 300 bundles.

Receipts for payment of taxes. No index. 5 x 9 x 6. C.C., Treasurer's sub-office.



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